

Long Noncoding RNA *FGD5-AS1* Acts as a Competing Endogenous RNA on microRNA-383 to Enhance the Malignant Characteristics of Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma by Increasing *SPI* Expression [Retraction]

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The Editor and Publisher of *Cancer Management and Research* wish to retract the published article. Concerns were raised over alleged image duplication in Figures 5B and 7B with similar images from unrelated articles, specifically:

- Figure 5B, panel Eca109 si-FGD5-AS1+antagomir-NC appears to have been duplicated with a similar image in Figure 2C from Cheng et al, 2020 (<https://doi.org/10.2147/OTT.S218876>).
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The authors responded to our initial queries but were unable to provide a satisfactory explanation for the alleged duplication and could not provide satisfactory original data for their study. The Editor advised for the article to be retracted.

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